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## SUMMER SCHOOL PROMISES WELL

### Larger Attendance Expected Many Entertainment Features

On Wednesday, June 18 the Normal closed one of the most successful years in its history. Every Commencement event, from the President's Breakfast on Saturday to the regular Commencement exercises on Wednesday, was of unusual excellence and too much can not be said in praise of the Faculty, Alumni, Seniors and Juniors to whom the success is due.

Registration for the Summer School begins on Monday and the correspondence indicates an unusually large attendance. Almost fifty per cent of the students in residence during the regular session are planning to return. Inquiries are being received daily at the office for accommodations and any householder whose house is not filled will confer a favor upon the school by telephoning or writing such information to the Registrar.

The Board of Regents of the Oregon Normal School met on Thursday and transacted the regular routine of business.

Superintendent McLaughlin of Corvallis was at the Normal last week selecting teachers for the Corvallis schools.

The Normal has, through the assistance of the managers of the Isis theater at Independence, secured a list of exceptionally splendid cinemas for the Summer Session. The course opens on Monday evening with "Little Women" which is an accurate pieturization of Louisa May Alcott's charming story. Among other attractions are "Daddy Long-Legs", Tolstoi's "Resurrection", "The Red Lantern" with Nazimova in the title role, the "Hearts of Humanity" Clemens' "Tom Sawyer", "The Seven Seas", "Under the Greenwood Tree" and on July 4th and 5th that wonderful biography of Lincoln titled "The Son of Democracy".

Superintendent Hampton of LaGrande who gave the Alumni address, took advantage of his presence here and selected several teachers for the LaGrande schools.

The Normal is scheduling a series of Chapel exercises for the Summer School of unusual interest. Among those who will be heard are State Superintendent J. A. Churchill, Mr. Piper, editor of the Oregonian; Miss Marvin, State Librarian; J. B. Horner of the Oregon Agricultural College; Mr. Woodward of Woodward & Clarke's, Portland; Miss Arbuthnot, Principal of the Independence Training School; Miss Schuette Supervisor of Music; Miss Anderson, Supervisor of Art; Miss De Vore, Critic of the First and Second Grades at Independence. Tuesdays and Thursdays will be given over to these special chapel services to which the public are invited.

Mr. Dickenson '14, who was principal of the Roseburg high school during the past year and who has resigned to accept the Superintendency of the Lexington schools, was at the Normal last week interviewing teachers for his schools for the coming year.

Josiah Wills '16 who has been supervisor of Polk County for the past year has been appointed County Superintendent to succeed Mr. Crowley who has resigned to take a superintendency of schools.

Richard E. Burton who will lecture on the "Meaning of Mark Twain" at the Normal on Thursday, at 8:00 o'clock is a recognized leader in the literary world. He

was for years Lecturer on Literature in the University of Chicago and for the past several years has been head of the English department of the University of Minnesota. He is one of the editors of Warner's Library of the World's Best Literature and has written much. Among his writings are, "Masters of the English Novel", "How to See a Play", and "Charles Dickens—How to Know Him". His ability was recognized when a few years ago he was made president of the National Drama League. All are invited to hear this eminent lecturer, writer and editor on Thursday, June 26th, at 8:00 o'clock.

Most of the time of the Grange session held Saturday afternoon was taken up with initiatory and degree work. The candidates who received the work were Senator and Mrs. I. T. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Craven and Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Pace. During the summer months meetings will be held only in the afternoon with dinner at noon. On July 6 the Monmouth Grange has accepted the hospitality of the Monmouth Orchards and will picnic during the day on the famed prune ranch over which W. J. Stockholm presides and on June 29 after church services an out of door recreation meet will be held with the Elkins community.

Monmouth Rebekahs accepted the invitation of their sisters and brethren of Independence to attend lodge session there last Tuesday night and witness the work as they do in our neighbor city. Visitors were present from other lodges, the work was up to the specifications and a fine time is reported by all who attended.

News was received here Tuesday of the death of Miss Ruby Rasmussen at her home at the Dalles. Death was due to lung trouble. The young lady was a graduate of the Normal in the class of '17 and previously taught the Sunny Slope School.

Mrs. Trevor Rixon Lewis who has been teaching at Beaver, Wash. the past school year, arrived Saturday evening to spend the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Pace. She was accompanied by her little friend, Miss Eleanor Roberts of Kendall, Wash. Her husband, T. R. Lewis, is with the 4th Engineers, keeping watch on the Rhine at Coblenz, Germany. He will probably be among the last units to leave Germany.

The boys from the state university are home this week. The Gentle boys have resumed their coveralls and are busy at work in the preliminary harvest work. W. J. Mulkey is at work in the grocery store in which he has an active interest. Guy Sacre is also back and on the job. Likewise Donald Portland and J. B. V. Butler, Jr. are taking their vacations seriously at work. Miss Laurel Canning our young lady representative at the U. of O. is also home and at present is entertaining her friend, Miss Shepherd of Portland.

Soldier boys who attended the Normal commencement exercises: Chad Newhouse and Birchard Van Loan of the Rainbow division; Roy Bowman of the marines; Clarence Soderstrom of the Coast Artillery; Howard Morlan of the Signal Corps; Clares Powell of the Aviation; Ivan Wood of the Quartermaster department, Guy Lee of the navy and Harold Tallman and Wm. Hoppes of the infantry.

Mrs. Boots after a brief stop in Monmouth has gone to Drain to spend the summer with her daughter, Mrs. Hedrick.

## Normal Closes Another Year

### Many Fine Programs Mark Commencement Week. Memorial Site is Dedicated and Service Flag Placed in Normal Archives

Commencement week at the O. N. S. this year was a succession of good things. The Junior Prom held Saturday evening delighted all who participated. For the first time in three years freed from the gloom of war clouds the students relaxed to the enjoyment usual on such occasions. The decorations and the music are alike spoken of with commendation.

The Baccalaureate services Sunday morning drew out a congregation that taxed the capacity of the chapel. Rev. W. W. Willard of Portland and Chicago preached most powerfully on that most typical of Christian doctrines that the Strong Shall Bear the Burdens of the Weak. The ethics of the world constantly change and progress he said. The great war would not have been possible had the whole world reached that stage where it was willing to recognize the force of this doctrine. He said that American literature presented typical evidence of this advance along lines of theological progress. Fifty years ago Longfellow's "Excelsior" was the ideal of American thought. It was the symbol of the upward aim. The youth who struggled onward and upward to the heights and finally died in the bleak spaces of the clouds glorified an ambition that was dominant in the land. Now this has changed and he instanced Sidney Lanier's "Chattahoochee" where the poet describes the origin of the stream in the heights of the mountains and ever moving downward to the plains. He instanced the request of the mother of James and John who wanted that her sons should sit one on each side of the Master when he came into His kingdom and showed how the answer indicated that preferment meant not stepping upward but menial service. Excelsior and Chattahoochee he said did not conflict but when their full significance was realized, both upheld the presentday conception of progress. The program included a violin solo by Miss Catherine Gentle and a vocal solo by Miss Schuette, both splendid performances.

On Monday night occurred the class play, a dramatization of the book "Everywoman's Road" by

Josephine Hammond. The subject is an allegory alike of the life of woman as a unit of a race and of an individual. The aspirations and ideals as they matured under the searching of truth were disclosed with the final acquired knowledge that taught how life could be most truly lived. Miss Parrott, under whose direction the book was dramatized was the central figure, appearing as Truth, portraying the part with grace and effectiveness. Miss Hanson, who took the part of Everywoman was also clever and effective in her presentation. These two had the main speaking parts and they were ably backed up by the rest of the cast who helped to make the whole a harmonious achievement of stage setting and acting. The complete program of this play appears on another page of this paper.

A special feature of the Last Chapel exercises held Tuesday morning was a mock trial of the Juniors as a unit of the student body, conducted by the Seniors. It was at the conclusion of the regular last chapel exercises that this sensation was sprung. Miss Helen Coe Senior representative, at the close of her remarks, unearthed a large gold colored key and calling for the Junior class president was about to present the key to her when Miss Miller, arrayed in judicial robes appeared and forbade the gift. She said the Juniors were charged with being too juvenile to assume the dignities and responsibilities of Seniors. The judge took the key, ordered the platform cleared of its occupants and proceeded to stage a trial of the Juniors. A jury was impaneled and by evidence of the seniors the Juniors were represented as singing juvenile songs, doing juvenile dances and with disregard to the proprieties, acting parts in dramatics where they took the part of chickens. The evidence which was realistically presented kept the audience convulsed with laughter. The Juniors made no defense, admitted the charge, pleading that the seniors had so conducted themselves when they were Juniors and had been able to conduct themselves with propriety when occasion arose. So too the Juniors felt they

could accomplish a like reform when they became Seniors. Several other indictments were placed against the Juniors, but they agreed to most of them and were finally awarded the key with instructions to cherish it and hand it down to succeeding Juniors about to become Seniors.

Miss Parrott now appeared and presented to the Junior president a check on behalf of the faculty as their gift for the Memorial Arch fund. Miss DeVore did likewise for the Alumni and President Ackerman for the Board of Regents. The Junior gift was also presented at this time, and likewise the gift of the Seniors the total gifts being \$750. As the arch is to cost over a thousand dollars the Juniors will have the problem of raising the remainder, before then next year. Another feature of the chapel exercises was the description by Ivan Wood of some of his experiences in the service. His remarks were wittily couched and were given close attention. A typical instance was when he described how the hammocks in which the men slept at sea were placed along side another so as to make it first a man's head and then a pair of feet and a man's head, etc. which provided one sort of ventilation but was not strong on scenery.

The Alumni program presented Tuesday night was the most ambitious of any given by the Alumni for several years. The musical numbers especial were on a high plane. The singing of John Clair Monteith of Portland and the piano playing of David Campbell were professional in their scope and quality and not a whit behind was the violin solo by Miss Catherine Gentle. They were all fine and won from the audience enthusiastic plaudits.

Under the heading "Talks by Normal men in uniform" the president, Miss DeVore called on Birchard Van Loan who responded telling some of his experiences and saying the commencement reminded him of his commencement in the army. When after training at Camp Lewis, at Camp Mills, New York and a period of most intensive training in France he had found himself in a replacement regiment from which the men were called for service at the front. Birchard served for 246 days as a courier and dispatch bearer at the front and he was also with the army of occupation in Germany.

Chad Newhouse who had similar experience and was also a member of the Rainbow division, told his experiences, going more into detail and telling among other things how on arriving at a certain town after dark he and a group of others had made their bunks and slept on what daylight revealed to be a pile of stones thrown by the Germans over their dead and from which a head and arms protruded.

A. C. Hampton, superintendent of schools at LaGrande and president of the state teachers' association, and a former resident of this city was speaker of the evening and he took as his topic the subject of Education in a Democracy. He quoted statistics to show the large percentage of illiterate men in the draft and the number who were incapacitated by physical ailments that could be avoided. He laid stress on the necessity of keeping up the supply of teachers and said this could only be accomplished by the payment of proper salaries. When a teacher was paid less than a scrub woman he said the profession could not expect to flourish. He hoped for a minimum salary of \$1,000 per year.

On Tuesday afternoon the site of the campus memorial was dedicated with exercises in which Supt. Churchill made the principal address, an address that was patriotic

## ELECTED AND RE-ELECTED

### School District Meeting Does Business in Record Time

Business at the annual meeting of school district No. 13 held in the high school building Monday night was conducted with precision and dispatch. Within twenty minutes of the time of calling the meeting to order the clerk's report had been read, and accepted, the minutes read and two directors and a secretary and treasurer elected and the meeting adjourned. For director, Ira C. Powell was unanimously re-elected and a like favor was conferred on Mrs. Cornelius for secretary and treasurer. To fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Jacob Smith, two names were proposed; A. B. Morlan and W. R. Graham. It was considered doubtful that Mr. Graham would accept and in one ballot Mr. Morlan was chosen. The new director will not be chairman of the board as stated in the Herald last week. According to the law the director of longest tenure is chairman and as this is Mr. Wolverton, he will be chairman for the ensuing two years.

Among the facts brought out by the financial report are: The number of children of school age in the district is 256, 129 male 127 female. Eighty eight were enrolled in the high school, 34 boys and 54 girls; 8 teachers are employed; There are 517 books in the library of the school, the average salary of teachers is \$79.85. The estimated value of school house and grounds is \$2100, and of furniture and apparatus \$775. The total of outstanding warrants and indebtedness is \$23,126.

Mrs. Sarah Hager returned Thursday from a visit with her sister at Falls City.

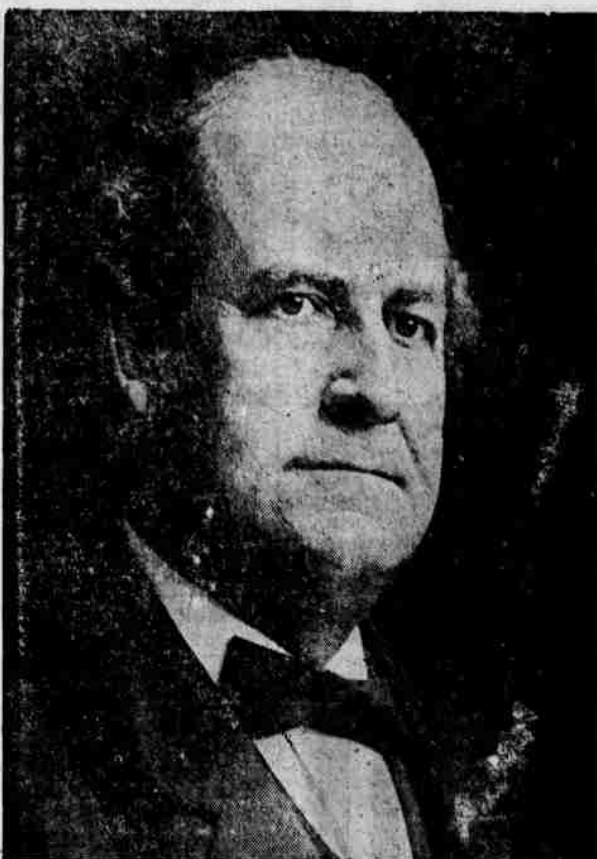
In its nature and expressed strongly the feeling that the deeds of the great war should have lasting reminders. Rev. H. C. Dunsmore of Independence delivered the invocation and President Ackerman read a list of the Normal students and alumni who had joined the service.

At the close of these services the services flag which had been hung for the occasion on the flag pole under the stars and stripes was taken down for preservation in the archives of the Normal.

The Normal was fortunate in securing the services of Judge McCamant of Portland as Commencement orator. His address on "Democracy" was a powerful exposition of the facts of citizenship that deserve the attention of all serious persons. He defined socialism as a state where the government dictates to the individual and a democracy as a government in which the individual is the ruler.

At the time the constitution was proposed he said it was adopted by the states with the understanding that it would be speedily amended. The first ten amendments, were most entirely devoted to safeguarding the rights of the individual. The right of petition, of a free press, of free speech he said were the foundation rocks under our government.

He instanced the case of Robert E. Lee whose property had been sold for taxes when he led the armies of the South and said this land was restored to his heirs after the war because the rights inherent in citizenship had been abridged. With the bestowal of the diplomas on the graduates by President Ackerman the class of 1921 stepped out into a new world of its own.



Wm. Jennings Bryan who will speak at the Dallas Chautauqua July 19